

**COUNCIL ON AGING
MEETING MINUTES
MIDDLEFIELD SENIOR CENTER
2024-02-14**

Present:

Chair Judith Hoag, Director: Suzanne C. Lemieux, Members: Sharon Barry, Patricia R. Jones, Marge Pierre, Noreen Suriner. Guest: Curt Robie, Regrets: Charlene Gero, Treasurer Laurie Lafreniere

Meeting began at 1:00

Minutes: Motion was made and seconded to approve Jan-01-24 minutes as written. Motion passed.

BIRDS OF PREY: Discussed info that needs to be put in the flyer. Judy will email Julie Collier for other information to help her create the flyer. The first draft will be sent to the board for their suggestions, prepare a final draft and post it. Final efforts will be discussed next month.

TEXTILE BOX: The box was delivered on Jan 25. The schedule is for pick-up on Thursdays. Discussed Linda Cernik's presentation at last meeting and agreed it was very informative.

DUMP RUN CAFÉ: Will put this on agenda next month to further discuss potential of resuming it.

MOVIES: Discussed scheduling movie on third Wednesday of the month at 6:00. Need to find a time and date to make it available to everyone.

BUDGET: Discussion on a Finance Committee member's request for our funding for the next fiscal year. I recommended that we ask for level funding. The Board is in favor of level funding. I will let him know that I will discuss any information that he requests with the Board and report back to him.

CURRENT EVENTS: Discussed increasing use of the Senior Center building. We will ask Curt Robie to be on the agenda for the next meeting. Curt made an impromptu visit to inform us about the progress of getting grants to improve the Senior Center. Curt has agreed to come to the next meeting.

Discussed the renewal of Post Office hours, progress of the Church and the FRTA status; Judy will call Sean to do a quick review of the FRTA contract, and the Food Pantry, we are maintaining the food pantry by donating the unused foods, such as rice, dried beans and pasta to the Pioneer Valley Food Pantry. Sharon has been delivering the excess to the Food Pantry when she is volunteering to work there.

Adjournment: A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting at 3:00. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: 3/13/2024

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzanne C. Lemieux